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Re: Application of: Johannes A. THOMASSEN

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For: SYSTEM FOR FILTERING FLUID, AND  
THE FILTER USED IN THIS SYSTEM

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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DATE: October 30, 2002

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to M.P.E.P. §609 and 37 C.F.R. §§1.56, 1.97-1.99, applicant submits herewith an information disclosure citation which lists references of which the applicant is aware. A copy of each of the references is also submitted herewith.

This submission does not represent that a search has been made or that no better art exists. While the term "references" is used in citing the publications called to the examiner's attention herein, applicant does not make any admission that each or all of them are "prior art" references within the meaning of the statutory and case law.

Applicant reserves the right to contend, where appropriate, that a reference asserted against any claim of the present application is not prior art under the facts and the law.

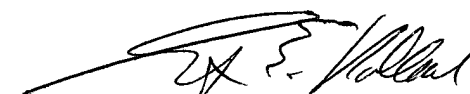
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Applicant also reserves the right to present appropriate arguments and/or evidence to establish patentability over the references, should one or more of the references be applied against the claims of the present application.

Applicant respectfully requests that the examiner independently determine those items which the examiner would consider most pertinent of those references cited herein.

Applicant respectfully requests that the references be considered and made of record.

Respectfully submitted,



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